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Re:

MB Docket No. 04-224

RM-10853 RM-10854

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Steven M. Greeley are an original and four (4) copies of his Comments and Counterproposal in the above referenced Proposed Amendment of the FM Table of Allotments for Lake Havasu City, Arizona, and Pahrump, Nevada.

Should further information be desired in connection with this matter, please communicate with this office.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Olender

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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b)
Table of Allotments
FM Broadcast Stations.
(Lake Havasu City, Arizona and Pahrump, Nevada)

MB Docket No. 04-224

) RM-10853

RM-10854



TO: Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary

For transmission to:

John A. Karousos Assistant Chief, Audio Division

COMMENTS AND COUNTERPROPOSAL OF STEVEN M. GREELEY

1. Steven M. Greeley hereby submits his comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPRM"), DA 04-1652, released June 10, 2004 in the above-captioned proceeding. As set forth below, Mr. Greeley continues to support the proposal which he originally advanced, *i.e.*, the substitution of Channel 272C for Channel 272B at Lake Havasu City, Arizona, and the reallotment of Channel 272C from Lake Havasu City to Pahrump, Nevada. And while the NPRM includes a second option which appears to be mutually exclusive with Mr. Greeley's proposal, as set forth below and in the accompanying Engineering Statement,

at least one alternative exists which will accommodate both proponents. Mr. Greeley requests that that alternative be considered a counterproposal to the NPRM. ¹

2. As set forth in the *NPRM*, Mr. Greeley proposed the allotment of Channel 272C to Pahrump. At the same time, SSR Communications Incorporated ("SSR") proposed the allotment of Channel 272C3 to Pahrump. In order to accommodate both proposals, Mr. Greeley hereby proposes that, in addition to the reallotment of Channel 272C to Pahrump for his use in connection with Station KJJJ(FM), the Commission also allot Channel 261C3 to Pahrump, which channel would be available for SRS (and any other interested applicant) to bid for at the Commission's invitation. As set forth in the accompanying Engineering Statement, the allotment of those two channels would be consistent with all applicable technical standards and would not require the disruption or relocation of any existing station or pending application. ²

¹ Mr. Greeley is mindful of the policy prohibiting counterproposals to one's own initial allotment proposal, see, e.g., Taccoa et al., Georgia, MM Docket No. 98-162, DA 01-2784, released November 30, 2001. The counterproposal included herein is **not** intended as a counterproposal to Mr. Greeley's original proposal and, thus, is not inconsistent with the policy articulated in the Taccoa decision. Rather, Mr. Greeley's counterproposal is intended to accommodate the SSR proposal, about which Mr. Greeley was unaware when he filed his original proposal.

² The allotment of Channel 261C3 to Pahrump would require that Channel 261 at Beatty, Nevada, be assigned Class A status. Channel 262 was originally allotted to Beatty as a Class A channel. See BPH-19970925MM (initial construction permit for since-deleted Station KNVR(FM), Beatty). However, in 1997 the KNVR permittee applied for a one-step upgrade to substitute Channel 261 as a Class C in Beatty. While that application was granted and the table of allotments modified to reflect the substituted and upgraded channel, the applicant/permittee in June, 2003, requested that its upgrade application be dismissed, its permit cancelled and its call sign deleted. The Commission granted those requests, without objection or request for reconsideration from the former permittee. Mr. Greeley submits that, under these circumstances, the public interest justifies returning the classification of the Beatty channel to Class A. The public has already been denied service for years by the machinations of the former Beatty permittee. As demonstrated in the attached Engineering Statement, downgrading Beatty channel to its original Class A status and substituting Channel 287A there will permit improvement of service to Pahrump. In light of those circumstances, such treatment is warranted. See, e.g., West Rutland, Vermont, MM Docket No. 00-12, DA 01-1389, released June 8, 2001. Mr. Greelev notes that, to the extent that the class of the replacement channel may (Footnote continued on next page)

- 3. Mr. Greeley believes that the public service will be served by allotments which will accommodate both his proposal and that of SSR. But in the event that the Commission determines that no such accommodation is possible, Mr. Greeley submits that his proposal is superior to that of SSR. While SSR's proposal would limit use of Channel 272 to Class C3, Mr. Greeley proposes to use it as a full-powered Class C capable of serving extensive, sparsely settled areas. The area in the vicinity of Pahrump is precisely such an area. Thus, Mr. Greeley's proposal would be consistent with the longstanding purpose of Class C channels. *See, e.g., Revision of FM Broadcast Rules*, 40 FCC 662, 682 (1962). And as demonstrated in the attached Engineering Statement, a Class C station will serve considerably more listeners over a much wider area than would a Class C3 operation that is, the available spectrum would be used far more efficiently and effectively by Mr. Greeley's proposal.
- 4. REC Networks ("REC") has filed comments in response to the *NPRM* in which it suggests that allotment of a Class C station to Pahrump would "only result in radiation of signals into significant area where there is no population and no significant thoroughfares." REC Comments at (unnumbered) 2. But that claim ignores the purpose of Class C channels which, as noted above, is to provide widespread service to sparsely-settled areas. And as far as "significant thoroughfares" are concerned, as set forth in the Engineering Statement hereto, the allotment proposed by Mr. Greeley would provide service to well-traveled stretches of Route 95 (which the Nevada Department of Transportation ("NDOT") characterizes as a "principal arterial"), and

(Footnote continued from preceding page)

be deemed in any way material, Channel 287 could be upgraded to Class C2 at Beatty. Thus, the Commission has ample alternatives with which to provide a suitable allotment to Beatty, should the Commission see fit to do so.

Routes 373 and 160 (both "rural major collectors" according to NDOT), as well as a portion of Interstate Highway 15 and a number of other significant thoroughfares.

- 5. As a practical matter, it appears that REC's primary interest is to protect the possible "expansion of LPFM stations in the rural portions of Southern California and Nevada." *Id.*While that may be a laudable goal in some respects, it ignores the secondary status of LPFM service. The possibility of full-service utilization of an FM channel utilization completely consistent with the underlying purpose of such channels should not be prevented simply to leave open the possible proliferation of secondary service. Such an approach would turn the Commission's allotment priorities on their head.
- 6. In its Comments, SSR also suggests that Mr. Greeley's proposal may be less than maximally desirable because it would result in the loss of a service to Lake Havasu City. While Mr. Greeley's proposal does contemplate relocation of Station KJJJ(FM) from Lake Havasu City to Pahrump, Lake Havasu City would still retain four local FM stations (and a local AM station) following that relocation. Certainly it cannot be said that Lake Havasu City (population approximately 42,000) would be underserved as a result. By contrast, Pahrump (population approximately 25,000) has only two FM stations, and no AM stations, licensed to it. ³
- 7. In view of all of the foregoing, Mr. Greeley renews his proposal that Channel 272C be allotted to Pahrump and that the license of Station KJJJ(FM) be modified to specify operation

³ In any event, should the Commission believe that the loss of a channel in Lake Havasu City might influence in any way the decision here, the Commission should be aware that a number of channels are available to allotment to Lake Havasu City, should the demand for such allotments arise. See attached Engineering Statement. Mr. Greeley did not propose any such replacement allotment in his petition for rulemaking, nor is he proposing such replacement now. But he does wish the record of this proceeding to reflect that replacement channels are available, should the Commission, in response to SSR's Comments, determine either that allotment of such a replacement channel would be in the public interest or, conversely, that removal of a Lake Havasu City channel would be contrary to the public interest.

on that re-located and re-classified channel. In the event that the Commission adopts that proposed allotment, Mr. Greeley hereby re-affirms his intention to apply for use of Channel 272C at Pahrump and, if that application is granted, to construct and operate Station KJJJ(FM) on Channel 272C at Pahrump.

Respectfully submitted

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ENGINEERING EXHIBIT EE-RM-1:

COMMENTS - MB DOCKET 04-224
RULE MAKING TO AMEND
FM TABLE OF ALLOTMENTS

DELETE CH. 272B AT LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ ALLOT CH. 272C TO PAHRUMP, NV

JULY 27, 2004

ENGINEERING STATEMENT PREPARED ON BEHALF OF
STEVEN M. GREELEY
LICENSEE OF KJJJ(FM)
CHANNEL 272B/C2 - LAKE HAVASU CITY, ARIZONA

Facility ID: 63410



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ENGINEERING EXHIBIT EE-RM-1:

COMMENTS - MB DOCKET 04-224 RULE MAKING TO AMEND FM TABLE OF ALLOTMENTS

DELETE CH. 272 AT LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ ALLOT CH. 272 TO PAHRUMP, NV

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Declaration

I, John J. Mullaney, declare and state that I am a graduate electrical engineer with a B.E.E. and my qualifications are known to the Federal Communications Commission, and that I am an principal engineer in the firm of Mullaney Engineering, Inc., and that I have provided engineering services in the area of telecommunications since 1977. My qualifications as an expert in radio engineering are a matter of record with the Federal Communications Commission.

The firm of Mullaney Engineering, Inc., has been requested by Steven M. Greeley, to prepare the instant engineering exhibit in support of comments in MB Docket 04-224 at Pahrump, NV.

All facts contained herein are true of my own knowledge except where stated to be on information or belief, and as to those facts, I believe them to be true. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s/ John J. Mullaney

John J. Mullaney, Consulting Engineer

Executed on the 27th day of July 2004

ENGINEERING EXHIBIT EE-RM-1:

COMMENTS - MB DOCKET 04-224 RULE MAKING TO AMEND FM TABLE OF ALLOTMENTS

DELETE CH. 272 AT LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ ALLOT CH. 272 TO PAHRUMP, NV

NARRATIVE STATEMENT:

This engineering statement has been prepared on behalf of Steven M. Greeley, licensee of Radio Station KJJJ(FM), at Lake Havasu City, Arizona (Facility ID 27982). The purpose of this statement is to provide comments in support of KJJJ's proposal in MB Docket 04-224. KJJJ has requested to amend the FM Table of Allotments to delete Ch. 272C2/B at Lake Havasu City and re-allot Ch. 272C to Pahrump, NV, and to modify the license of KJJJ(FM) accordingly. The KJJJ petition was determined to be **mutually exclusive** with a petition by SSR Communications, Inc., which proposes to allot Ch. 272C3 at Pahrump, NV, as a new FM service. Given that the two petitions propose sites which are only 9.6 km apart, it is clear only one can occupy Ch. 272 at Pahrump.

KJJJ has determined that it is possible to satisfy both petitions by modifying the SSR request to specify Ch. 261C3. Use of this alternate channel requires the modification of a Vacant allotment at Beatty, NV. In addition, KJJJ wishes to point out that it is possible to allot Ch. 272C3 to Lake Havasu City, AZ, as a partial replacement for the current KJJJ facility.

KJJJ(FM) wishes to point out that the upgrade it seeks is on its existing channel with a proposed location which is less than the separation specified by Section 73.207 and,

therefore, it is not necessary to demonstrate the availability of an additional equivalent channel in accordance with Section 1.420(g) of the rules.

The proposed reference point is <u>not</u> within 290 kilometers (180 miles) of a United States Border and, therefore, foreign concurrence is <u>not</u> required.

Modification of SSR Petition

Figure 1 demonstrates that Ch 261C3 can be allotted to Pahrump from a reference point which is located 6 km to the North-Northeast of the coordinates specified by SSR. The alternate coordinates proposed herein are 36-17-10 / 116-01-00. The alternate site is located within the city limits of Pahrump and will have an unobstructed view of the city. Use of this alternate channel will require a modification of the Vacant Ch. 261C allotment at Beatty, NV.

Modification of Beatty, NV

Figure 2 demonstrates that Ch 287A can be allotted to Beatty from the city reference point located at 36-54-31 / 116-45-30. Use of this channel does not require the modification of any other allotment.

Originally, Docket 97-6 allotted Ch. 262A to Beatty. A single 301 application was filed and granted on Ch. 262A. A modification of CP was subsequently filed requesting a one-step upgrade to 261C. On 6/5/2003, the permittee filed a letter requesting the cancellation of the CP and the dismissal of the license application. The allotment is now Vacant.

Given that the original 1997 allotment was for a Class A facility the substitution of 287A for 261C is consistent with FCC policy regarding forfeited permits modified via one-step procedures. It should be noted that 287C2 also complies with the FCC rules from this city reference site should someone want to upgrade the facility at a later date.

Replacement Channel at Lake Havasu City, AZ

Figure 3 demonstrates that Ch 272C3 can be allotted as a replacement channel at Lake Havasu City from the city reference point located at 34-28-41 / 114-19-40. Use of this channel is contingent upon the deletion of Ch. 272B. KJJJ does not believe that the addition of this replacement channel constitutes an unwarranted counterproposal of its original proposal. If the replacement channel is allotted, KJJJ will file an application for it during the appropriate auction window.

Public Interest Showing

KJJJ(FM) presently holds a CP to operate as a Class B FM facility with maximum equivalent facilities (4.5 kW at 467 meters HAAT). The proposed change in community & upgrade to Class C facilities will permit KJJJ(FM) to serve a wider area and more population. KJJJ(FM) CP on 272B will provide a 60 dBu service to 110,920 persons and 8,730 square kilometers. KJJJ(FM) anticipates construction of a maximum Class C facility which will potentially provide 60 dBu service to 887,895 persons and 26,370 square kilometers (2000 Census). This represents a 700% increase in population and a 202% increase in area.

The replacement allotment on Ch. 272C3 at Lake Havasu City will provide service to 66,120 persons of which 57,000 persons are presently receiving theoretical service from 272B.

The allotment on Ch. 261C3 at Pahrump will provide service to 25,265 persons. It should be noted that this is some 200 persons greater than the SSR proposal.

Figure 4 is a map which illustrates the 60 dBu coverage contour of the originally submitted proposals to allot 272C & 272C3 at Pahrump. The map clearly shows that the 272C proposal will provide additional coverage along major roadways in the area.

Based upon the above information, KJJJ(FM) believes that its **proposed resolution** results in a preferential arrangement of allotments and therefore, serves the public interest.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS - MB DOCKET 02-224

Steven M. Greeley, licensee of Radio Station KJJJ(FM), at Lake Havasu City, Arizona (Facility ID 27982) requests that the FM Table of Allotments be amended to delete Ch. 272C2/B at Lake Havasu City, AZ and re-allot Ch. 272C to Pahrump, NV, and to modify the license of KJJJ(FM) accordingly.

	Present	Proposed			
Lake Havasu City, AZ	216A, 244C2,	216A, 244C2,			
	266C2, 272C2/B ,	266C2, 272C3 #,			
	283C2	283C2			
Pahrump, NV	234C-RM-ADD	234C-RM-ADD			
	236A->250A-RM,	236A->250A-RM			
	298C	261C3, 272C, 298C			
Beatty, NV	262C	287A			

-> Channel Change by Rulemaking. # - Optional Addition

KJJJ(FM) believes that its **proposed resolution** results in a preferential arrangement of allotments and therefore, serves the public interest. If granted, KJJJ(FM) will quickly file an application for construction permit.

/s/ John J. Mullaney
John J. Mullaney, Consulting Engineer

July 27, 2004.

COMMENTS - MB DOCKET 04-224 - STEVEN M. GREELEY

REFEREN 36 17 1 116 01	и 0. W 00		CLASS = C3 Current Spacings Channel 261 - 100.1 MHz				DISPLAY DATES DATA 07-10-04 SEARCH 07-12-04			
Call	Cha		Location		Dist		FCC	Margin		
ALLO-A ALLO-A	VAC VAC	261C 261A	Beatty Beatty	NV NV		318.1 318.1		-130.37 -35.37		
KMZQFM KHWZ.C KHWZ.C RS259 KHYZ AL261 KGMN AL260 KONY	LIC-N	263C 261B1 261B1 259B 259B 261C2 261C2 260C	Henderson Ludlow Ludlow Mountain Pass Mountain Pass Kingman Kingman St. George St. George	CA CA CA CA AZ AZ UT	96.07 175.32 175.34 97.49 97.49 233.13 233.13 234.48	184.0 184.0 154.8	174.5 174.5 70.5 70.5 176.5 176.5	0.84 26.99 26.99 56.63 56.63 58.98		

Special Reference Point within city of Pahrump, NV.

Allotment at Beatty, NV, was originally for Ch. 262A.

CHANNEL STUDY - 261C3 - NEW ALLOTMENT PAHRUMP, NV

STEVEN M. GREELEY - KJJJ(FM)
COMMENTS - DOCKET 04-224
LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ & PAHRUMP, NV

MULLANEY ENGINEERING, INC. GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND

FIGURE 1
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REFERENCE 36 54 31 N 116 45 30 W			Curr	CLASS = A Current Spacings Channel 287 - 105.3 MHz			DISPLAY DATES DATA 07-10-04 SEARCH 07-12-04			
Call	Call Channel		Location	Location Dist		Azi	FCC	Margin		
KQRT ALLO RADD KRSXFM	LIC USE ADD LIC-N	286C2 286C2 290C 287B1	Las Vegas Las Vegas Pahrump Yermo	NV NV AZ CA	140.32 143.15 153.81 212.38	116.7 118.0 132.6 181.9	106.0 106.0 95.0 143.0	34.32 37.15 58.81 69.38		

City Reference Point of Beatty, NV.

Allotment at Beatty, NV, was originally for Ch. 262A.

Channel 287 also complies with C2 operation.

CHANNEL STUDY - 287A - SUBSTITUTE - BEATTY, NV

STEVEN M. GREELEY - KJJJ(FM)
COMMENTS - DOCKET 04-224
LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ & PAHRUMP, NV

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FIGURE 2
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COMMENTS - MB DOCKET 04-224 - STEVEN M. GREELEY

Call	Channel		Location		Dist	Azi	FCC	Margin	
KJJJ.C RDEL KJJJ	CP DEL LIC	272B 272B 272C2	Lake Havasu City Lake Havasu City Lake Havasu City	AZ AZ AZ	30.13 30.13 14.78	319.2 319.2 56.3	210.5 210.5 176.5		MX
RADD	ADD	272C	Pahrump	NV	257.39	320.7	236.5	20.89	KJJJ
KAHM RADD KJJZ AL275 AL270 AL269 AL269 KNIXFM	LIC ADD LIC-N VAC VAC RSV VAC LIC	271C 272C1 272A 275C3 270A 269C3 269C3 273C	Prescott Overton Indio Quartzsite Salome Bagdad Bagdad Phoenix	AZ NV CA AZ AZ AZ AZ	204.16 254.85 187.66 90.76 101.63 104.35 104.35 244.84	82.8 0.4 249.4 174.2 139.4 82.0 82.0	175.5 210.5 141.5 42.5 41.5 42.5 42.5	28.66 44.35 46.16 48.26 60.13 61.85 61.85	

City Reference Point of Lake Havasu City, AZ.

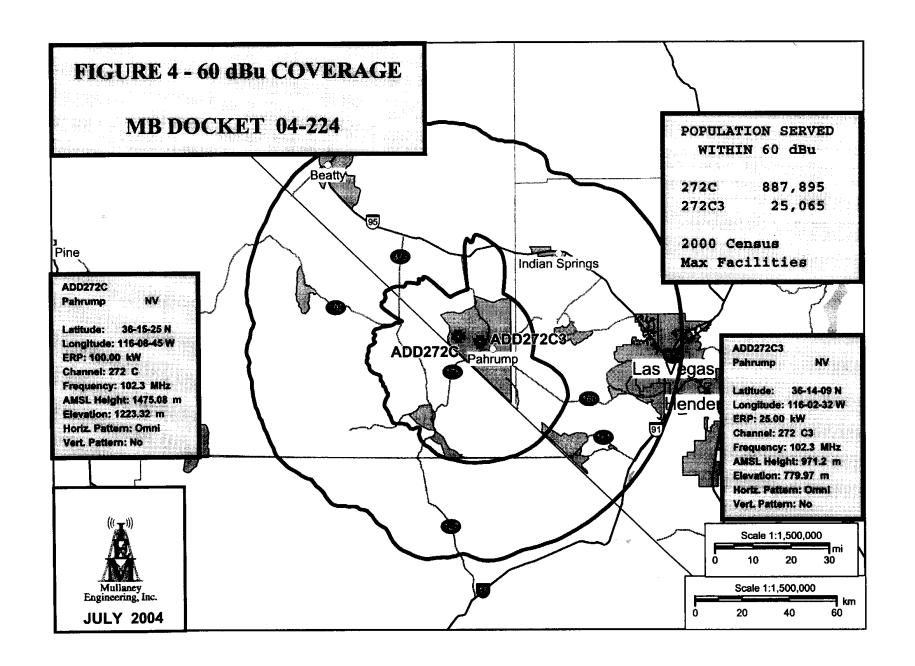
Allotment of 272C3 contingent upon deletion of KJJJ 272B/C2.

CHANNEL STUDY - 272C3 - REPLACEMENT- LAKE HAVASU

STEVEN M. GREELEY - KJJJ(FM)
COMMENTS - DOCKET 04-224
LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ & PAHRUMP, NV

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FIGURE 3
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Molly M. Parezo, secretary at Koerner & Olender, P.C., do hereby certify that on this 30th day of July, 2004, I caused a copy of the foregoing "Comments and Counterproposal of Steven M. Greeley" to be served by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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Molly M. Parezo

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